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Entertainment.

HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY

THE FIRST CONCERT of the Season will take place on MONDAY, the 7th JANUARY, 1878, the Proceeds of which will be devoted to the FUND for Relieving the FAMINE in the NORTH of CHINA. Hongkong, December 18, 1877.

Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

year 1876, will be payable on MONDAY, Road, on the 31st Instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the Office of the Society, on and after the 29th Instant.

By Order of the Board, E. MOORE, Act. Secretary. Hongkong, December 21, 1877.

NOTICE. TR. STOUT expects to Leave the Colony PERMANENTLY about the 20th of January, 1878.

Hongkong, December 22, 1877. DENTAL NOTICE

TR. ROGERS begs to say that he has scope Table, with Spare Leaves; a full receive Patients. Hongkong, November 22, 1877.

RELIABLE,

ECONOMICAL,

ESIRING to benefit by the worldparties have attempted to imitate our packges. Suits at law have been instituted aminst the MAKERS AND PURCHASERS these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRILL LIANT" are stendilled on the cases, and the DAY, the 26th. Tords "DEVOE M'P'G CO. PATENTS"

a stamped on the top of the can. THE DEVOE MANUFACTURING Co. 10 Beaver and 127 Parl Streets. MAW YORK, D. S. A.

Intimations.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be Closed on TUESDAY AND WED-NESDAY, the 25th and 26th Inst., and TUESDAY, the 1st January, 1878.

C. MORLAND KERR, Manager, For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank India, London and China," W. P. NICHOLSON, Actg. Manager.

tralia and China," R. I. HARPER, Manager. For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation." T. JACKSON, Chief Manager For the "National Bank of India, Lited.,"

Hongkong, December 21, 1877. IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

O. E. THOMSON, Actg. Manager.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In re GEORGE GRAHAM, a Bankrupt,

ATOTICE is herely given that a MEET. ING of the CREDITORS of the said GEORGE GRAHAM will be held pursuant to the 151st Section of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, in the Supreme Court House, on THURSDAY the 3rd day of January, 1878, at 11 c'clock in the Forencon before me The Hon. CHARLES BUSH PLUNKET. Registrar of the Supreme Court, the Officer appointed by the Court sitting in Bank

Proofs of Debts will be received and Creditors who have not proved, or who shall not then prove, will be excluded from the benefit of any Dividend that may be declared, and all Claims not proved will be Public Auction, (unless previously disdisallowed. C. B. PLUNKET,

Registrar. Dated 22nd December, 1877. IN THE SUPREME COURT OF

HONGKONG. PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of LAM HIEP, ALEXANDER MURBAY,,, Ho CHING LEE. ALEXANDER MORRISON,

and John PHILLIP DONALD.

AT OTICE is hereby given, that in accord-No. 9 of 1870, Section III. an Order has Snowden, Judge of the Supreme Court of thereon 88 feet, and on the West side Hongkong, limiting the time for CRE. thereof on a Close Registered in the DITURS and others to send in their CLAIMS against the above Estates to SATURDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1878, on or before which date all Claims must be proved, otherwise they will not be included in the Scheme of Division. All Persons indebted to the said Estates

to the Official Administrator. C. B. PLUNKET,

Registrar. Hongkong, December 22, 1877. de29

Auctions.

FURNITURE SALE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. are ina structed by H. KINGSMILL, Esq., THIRD and FINAL BONUS of Five to sell by Public Auction, at his Resiper cent. upon Contributions for the dence, "As You Like It," Albany Hill

THURSDAY, the 27th December, 1877, at Noon,-The HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE The Drawing-room Furniture, Con- 853,40, sists chiefly of Superior Carved and Polished Walnut Tables, Couch, and Lounging Chairs, also Cane and Wicker Chairs, Chintz Curtains and Fittings, a Brussels Carpet, a Collard and Col-

lard Plano, and a Four-Burner Hanging Lamp, by Osler. The Dining-room contains a wellsessoned, Hand-polished Mahogany tele-RETURNED, and is now ready to Set of Solid Mahogany Dinner Chairs, Covered with Morocco, a Mahogany contains in the whole 34 Acres, of which Sideboard with Carved Back and Marble Top, Electroplated Ware, Glass

Ware, Crockery, &c., &c. The Bedrooms contain Brass and Iron Bedsteads, with Hair Mattress, Chints Hangings, &c., a Complete Set of Polish. ed Solid Birch Furniture, well-sessoned, comprising Wardrobes, Toilet Table, Marble-Topped Washetand and Service, Chests of Drawers, Birch-Framed Toilet Glasses and Stands, Chairs, Round

Table, &d., &d. A Choice Selection of Japanese Coniwide reputation of our Oil, sertain fer Shrubs, Standard Rose Bushes, English and Japanese Lilies, English Flowering Plants, do., do., will also be

On view from 12 o'clock on WEDNES.

THEME OF SALE Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7. 1. 7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. Hongkong, Decomber 17, 1877, 447

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND DELICACIES.

DRESSING CASES, WORK BOXES. SCRAP BOOKS. PRESENTATION INKSTANDS. PIN TOILET SETS. STATUETTES. Handsomely Bound GIFT BOOKS.

FRENCH DOLLS. PUZZLES. ORIENTAL COSTUMES.

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FLOWER VASES.

MECHANICAL TOYS.

YACHT STEAM BOATS.

FANOY BOXES OF CHOCOLATE. CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS.

MINOE MEAT. ELVAS PLUMS. CRYSTALLISED FRUITS. BLOOM MUSCATELS. FRENCH JAMS.

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ELIXIR OF LOVE.

FRENCH PLUMS. DRAGEES, Commission of the state of the stat CHRISTMAS BISCUITS. FIGS direct from SMYRMA. FRENCH BUTTER.

A FEW CASES OF THE CHOICEST SCOTCH WHISKEY EVER IMPORTED.

SACCONE'S PURE SHERRIES, at Low Prices. PURE PORT. LIQUEURS. CHOICE OLD RYE WHISKY, Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

VALUABLE LAND AND HOUSEHOLD PROPERTY, &c.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have posed of by Private Sale), on

MONDAY. the 31st December, 1877, at Noon, at their Sale Room, Praya Central,-

The following PIECES or PARCELS of GROUND, with the Buildings erected thereon.

First.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in Victoria, Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as the remaining portion of Inland Lor No. 41, abutting on the North side thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring thereon 153 feet, on the South side thereof on Section A of the aforesaid Inland Lot No. 41 and Measuring thereon ance with the provisions of Ordinance 75 feet and 55 feet, on the East side been made by His Honor Mr JUSTICE thereof on a Public Road, and Measuring Land Office as Inland Lot No. 201, and Measuring thereon 36 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole about 8,000 square feet, of which the Annual Crown Rent is \$73.01, -together with the Messuages or Teneare requested to make immediate payment; ments standing thereon, at present leased

by D. RUTTUNJEE, Esq. Second.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poke-fo-lum District of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM LOT No. 26, abutting on the North side thereof on Closes Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lote Nos. 18 and 25, and Measuring thereon 1,200 feet, on the South side thereof on Government Ground, and Measuring thereon 600 feet, on the East side thereof on a Water Course, and Measuring thereon 1,400 feet, and on the West side thereof on the Sea at high Water Mark, and Measuring thereon 700 feet, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground contains in the whole 221 Acres, (chiefly London-made), and other Effects. of which the Annual Crown Rent is

> All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, situated in the Poke-fo-lum District of [fine.) Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as FARM LOT No. 30, abutting on the South side thereof on a Close Registered in the Land Office as Farm Lot No. 29, on the East side thereof on the road to Aberdeen, and on the North and West sides thereof on a Water Course. which said Piece or Parcel of Ground the Annual Crown Rent is \$12; together with a quantity of Building Materials at present contained in and about the houses described as "Belmont" upon the afore-

said Lots. Terms of Salt.—One-half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the Deed or Deeds of Transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the

The Property to be at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. For further Particulars, apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, October 31, 1877. de30

A. MILLAR & Co. PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS. Quett's Road East, MONGEONG!

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO. HAVE JUST RECEIVED Ex "STATE OF ALABAMA," &c.. AND ARE NOW OFFERING FOR SALE THEIR XMAS SUPPLY, Compared the state of the state of the

Fancy Goods and Table Delicacies

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Ladies' and Gentlemen's DRESSING MUSICAL and other ALBUMS. OPERA GLASSES. Mappin Brothers' and Rodgers' CUT-

Electro-plated CENTRE STANDS. Revolving Bacon DISHES. FRUIT STANDS. Do. SIDE DISHES & Covers. WAPTERS. TEA & COFFEE Services. Presentation MUUS. FISH KNIVES and FORKS in Polished Cases. FRUIT KNIVES and FORKS in Polished Cases. LIQUEUR STANDS

and CRUETS. CLARET JUGS. BISCUIT BOXES. CAKE BASKETS. CHOICE COSAQUE CRACKERS, IN

GREAT VARIETY, AND NEWEST DESIGNS. ELEGANT BONBON BOXES. MECHANICAL and other TOYS. PRESENTATION BOOKS. CHARLOTTE MORRELL'S KNIGHT OF

THE RED CROSS. SCOTT'S PICTURES, by Venetian REID'S GEMS of DUTCH ART. SIMPSON'S PICTURESQUE PEOPLE. ENGLISH PAINTERS OF THE PRE-

SENT DAY. PICTURES FROM ENGLISH LITE. CABINET PICTURES. MY LADY'S BOUDOIR. Doré and Tempson's "ÆNID." Capt. MARS' ANGLICAN MYS. TERIES OF PARIS.

DOYLES' FOREIGN TOUR OF BROWN, JONES & ROBINSON. Michelet's "THE SEA." TROPICAL NATURE. CASSELL'S POPULAR EDUCATOR. SCHOOL GIFT BOOKS. TOY BOOKS, &c., &c., &c. TABLE DELICACIES OF ALL

MUSCATEL BLOOM RAISINS, (very Finest JORDAN ALMONDS. SMYRNA FIGS. CHOCOLATE, MASSON. CHOCOLATE Imitation Objects. Super-fine LIQUEUR CANDIES. DRAGEES, in Fancy Boxes. NONGATINES.

FRUITS in Noysau. a l'Eau de Vie. PRUNES. CANDLED PEEL, GE. LATINE. MINOE MEAT. TRUFFES. SAVOURY PIES, VEAL and HAM PIES, GAME PIES, &c. STRASBOURG TERRINE DE FOIE PHILIPPE & CANAUDS' Assorted PATES. Reindeer TONGUES. Russis OX TONGUES.

German Brown CAKES and GINGER HUNTLEY & PAUNEE'S BISCUITS. Cutting's Dessert FRUITS, in cars. FINEST. Old O. R. BOURBON WHISKY.

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White WINES. LIQUEURS. KEUS'S CHAMPAGNE, in Pints and BASS & Co.'s PALE ALE, Buttled by CAMERON & SAUNDERS, in Pints and Quarts. | shortly after her arrival from Europe. GUINNESS'S STOUT, Bottled by E. & J. Burne, in Pinis and Caurie.

for sale. CHRISTMAS.

HRISTMAS CAKES, made to order by Hongkong & China Bakery Co. Special Agents, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 17, 1877. XMAS!!! XMAS!!! XMAS!!!

TTHE HONGKONG STEAM BAKERY has for Sale Ready-made CHRISTMAS CAKES of all sizes, and PASTRY of every description. DORABJEE NOWROJEE.

Ground Floor Honekong Hotel. Hongkong, December 19, 1877. COAL.

TO EST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM D COAL for Sale, ex Godown.

Apply to BATTLES & Co. Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

FOR SALE.

SHAMBEN CANTON. THE Desirable Property kwown as Lor No. 46, consisting of Commodious

DWELLING HOUSE, OFFICES and SILK GODOWN. For particulars, apply to

G. M. SMITH, Canton. October 15, 1877.

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Price: Two Dollars and a Half. To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Mesura KELLY & WALSH, Shanghal. Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

xulices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery,

This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUEY.

Ex Djemnak. W.G.S No. 1/7) Mr.G. W. Scott, 7 cases Wine, from Mar-H.M.S. Lapwing, sellles. Mr. J. Ridley, 1 case Effects, from

Formosa. London. - Ex Iraouaddy. K.J. (in diamond) \ No. 37, Order, 1 case have early despatch. J.P. (underneath) | Woollen, from London, N.B., Order, 50 bags Stones From

Madran. Hongkong, December 21, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR YOKOHAMA. The Steamship expected shortly from Singapore, will receive immediate

despatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents S.S. Malabar. Hongkong, December 21, 1877.

FOR SHANGHAL The German Steamship "ALTONA," Müller, Master; shortly expected, will have quick deanatch as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to

WM. PUSTAU & CO.,

H. DU POURY.

Hongkong, December 21, 1877. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIBRE," Comdt. DE GIRARD, will be despaiched for YOKOHAMA Collared OX TONGUE. OX TONGUE Mail.

> Hongkong, December 21, 1877. NOTICE,

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Company's Steamship

TIGRE,"

Comdt. Lormies, will be despatched for SHANGHAI H. DU POUEY.

Hongkong, December 21, 1877.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels. FOR DUNEDIN (N. Z.) The A 1 German Barque "MARIE," Capt. BURMEISTER, will load

here for the above Port, and have a quick despatch. For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

Hongkong, November 14, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Barque The A 1 American Barque

MORRO CASTLE,

JENETT, Master, having the
greater portion of her Cargo, engaged, will load at this Port as above

For Freight, apply to OLYPHANT & Co. Hongkong, December 1, 1877.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The A 1 French Barque "ANGELE, Captain BARBEYBON, will take Freight at moderate rates, and

For Freight or Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co.

ilongkong, December 5, 1877. FOR LONDON (DIRECT.) The A 1 Brit. Clipper Bark "KATE VARNIE." JAMES WILSON, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo

engaged, will have immediate despatch as For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

> FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 Clipper Barque

RICHARDSON, Master, will have quick despatch as above. For Freight, apply to

WM. PUSTAU & Co., FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Schooner MERICAECHAVARIA, Master, will

Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY. The Brit. 3-m. Schooner Captain Ross, will load here for

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE & Co. Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK The A 1 American Barkentine "SAMOS."

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. rates and under through Bills of

and all Eastern Places. The British Ship despatched as above on or before

Through Rate, \$2 and Eastern Rates. For Freight, apply to VOCEL HAGEDORN & Co.

FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON. The A 1 British Ship "ONBIDA" S. CLYMA, Master, having 8/4ths of her Cargo engaged, will load here as above, and will be de-

spatched on or about the 31st December. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

The A 1 American Ship INGRAHAM, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

Hongkong, November 8, 1877. FOR HONOLULU. The A 1 American Ship

For Freight or Passage, apply to: VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, November 3, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Ship

for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

and have quick despatch.

have quick despatch.

Hongkong, November 28, 1877.

"GOLDEN RUSSETT."

Hongkong, November 23, 1877.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

quick despatch.

C. H. BRYANT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

Hongkong, December 4, 1877. Taking Tea and other Cargo at through Lading for Chicago, New York

SHREWSBURY, Master, will be 10th January proximo. Rate of Freight to San Francisco, \$2.50

Hongkong, December 12, 1877.

FOR NEW YORK.

will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

The A 1 American Ship
"OHARTER OAK,"
STAPLES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

The A I British Ship
"ISLES OF THE SOUTH,"
DENNETT, Master, will load here

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & CO.

Hongkong, October 10, 1877,

Hangkong, December 18, 1877.

NOTICE.

HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port, under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS ENGINEERS AND BOILERMAKERS.

WILLIAM DUNPHY & Co. Late Manager of the Novelty Iron Works, Hongkong.

WM. DUNPHY.

Hongkong, December 10, 1877.

NOTICE. A /TR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a PARTNER in ou Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE. HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COM-

MISSION AGENT. J. Y. VERNON SHAW.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Business of SHARE and GENE RAL BROKER, hitherto conducted in my name, will now be carried on under the Style of COHEN & HEATON, Mr having This Day become a PARTNER

CHAS. C. COHEN. Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE. T HAVE This Day admitted Mr WILLIAM LEGGE as a PARTNER in my Business. which will henceforth be conducted under the Style of HUGHES & LEGGE.

W. KERFOOT HUGHES. Hongkong, November 1, 1877.

NOTICE.

TAR. JAMES AYTON MANN is authorized to Sign our Firm by Procura-

GEPP & Co. Canton, November 1, 1877.

Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED, NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be ULOSED from the 20th to the Sist Instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors. OLYPHANT & Co.,

General Agents. Hongkong, December 12, 1877.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COM-PANY, LIMITED.

FITHE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 27th Instant, both days inclusive. A. NEWTON.

Manager. Hongkong, December 1, 1877.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL, MENDERS are invited for a LEASE of be sent in on or before the 81st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required. By Order of the Directors,

> LOUIS HAUSCHILD. Secretary.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877. TO WONG HING UREUNG & Co.,

COAL MERCHANTS. Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices. Mr Anyon has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57 Prays, or to Mr FAT JACK, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-

Hongkong, March 19, 1877.

THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1869.

IN H. M. PROVINCIAL COURT AT AMOY.

In the matter of proceedings for Liquidation by arrangement or composition with Oreditors instituted by JOHN DODD and CRAWFORD DAVISON KERR, trading under the Style of

DODD & Co., at Amov and Tameui. ATOTICE is hereby given that a First MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Persons has been summoned to be Held at Messrs Dond & Co.'s Offices, Amoy, on the 29th day of December instant, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon pre-

Dated this 5th day of December, 1877. JOHN DODD. CRAWFORD D. KERR. by his Attorney. . do30

J. Dodd. NOTION TO MARINERS.

No. 79. CHINA SEA

Yangtee River-Shanghai District. Temporary Withdrawal of the "Tungsha" Light-vessel.

ATOTICE is hereby given that on of about the 187 Jenuary next, the "Tungeha" Light-vessel will be REMOVED from her Station for REPAIRS. As soon as Repaired she will Return to her old

Temporary Light-vessel. Ditring the withdrawal of the "Tungela" a flaced white light, visible in clear weather about 8 miles, will be exhibited from a Light-vessel made fast to the "Tungsha's"

In foggy weather a gong will be sounded at one minute intervals. The hull is painted red, and the ball on the mast is 8 feet in diameter and painted

By order of the Inspector General of

DAVID M. HENDERSON. Engineer in Chief. Imperial Maritime Customs, Engineer's Office, Shanghai, December 14, 1877.

intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

AND JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS. 46, Queen's Road Central Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

NOTICE,

THE Attention of Shippers and others interested in trade to Peru is called to the following clauses of the Supreme Decree of the President of the Republic of Peru, dated Lima, 4th April, 1877.

Art. 1. Merchandise shipped to the ports of Peru must be accompanied by Invoices (in Spanish) certified to by the Peruvian Consul at the port of shipment in accordance with Art. 188 of the Consular Regulations. Art. 2. Merchandise when shipped via

one or more foreign ports for a port in Peru must be accompanied by a special manifest (in Spanish) in addition to the Invoice certified to by the Peruvian Consul in accordance with Art. 197 of Consular Rezulations.

Art. 3. Marchandise for which no certified invoice is presented, as required by Articles 188 and 197 of the Consular Regulations, and Art. 1 of this decree, will be subject to a surcharge of 25 per cent of the ALEXANDER MACGLASHAN HEATON duty upon it as determined by the tariff. Merchandise entitled to enter free of duty will be taxed 25 per cent on its total value.

Art. 4. The Master of any vessel who enters a port of Peru without the documents of his vessel being duly certified to by the Consul for the Republic at the port from whence he cleared, in conformity with Articles 187 and 201 of the Consular Regulations, will be liable to a fine of from \$100 to \$1000 according to the importance of the case, and the judgment of the Commissioners of Customs, without prejudice to the spirit of Article 28 of the Code of Commerce.

H. SEYMOUR GEARY, Consul for Peru.

IN THE GOODS OF JAMES SMITH FERRIES, Deceased.

ATOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JAMES SMITH FERRIES. late Master of the S. S. "ZBALANDIA." who died at Sea on Board the said Vessel, on the 8th day of February 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, and Letters of Administration, with the Will annexed, of whose personal Estate were duly granted | KARBERG & Co. to JOHN FAIRBAIRN, of No. 27 Queen's Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 22nd day of September 1877, are hereby required to send J. K. Webster, Shanghai via Amoy Dec. 22, jal in writing the particulars of their Claims | General. Butterfield & Swife. or Demands to the said John FAIRBAIRN signed WILLIAM HENRY BREELTON, the General. MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. Solicitor of the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at Dec. 24, Djemnah, French steamer, 2416, the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY Champenois, Shanghai Dec. 21, Mails and BRERETON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong, General.-MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. on or before the 15th day of January, 1878. Dec. 24, Parsee, British steamer, 1015, expiration of the last-mentioned day, the said John FAIRBAIRN will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said James SMITH FERBIES amongst the parties MATHESON & Co. the HONGKONG HOTEL, the pre- Claims of which the said John Fairbairn 1201, R. Thomson, Shanghal Dec. sent Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st has then had notice; and that the said August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to JOHN FAIRBAIRN will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof, so distributed,

> Dated this 3rd day of October, 1877. WM. H. BRERETON. Solicitor for the said John FAIRBAIRN.

to any person of whose Claim the said

time of the distribution.

JOHN FAIRBAIRN has not had notice at the

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR AMOY. The Steamship will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNES-

For Freight or Passage, apply to Hongkong, December 24, 1877.

MONTHLY LINE.

THE AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVI-GATION COMPANY.

For Cooktown and Sydney, taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australian and NEW ZEALAND Ports:

The Company's Chartered Steamer JOHN C. JAQUES, Commander, will load for the above Ports, and be despatched on THURSDAY, the 27th Inst.,

at Noon, instead of as previously advertised. For Freight or Passage, apply to Hongwong, December 24, 1877.

FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY. The Steamship "NORMANBY" will be despatched as above on SATURDAY Next, the

29th Instant, at Noon, For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, December 24, 1877. de29 FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and

taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.) The Eastern and Attatralian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BRISBANE" will have immediate despatch

as above. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, December 24, 1877. BRITISH BARK FALCON, FROM

LONDON. MONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take im-

mediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

Hongkong, December 24, 1877,

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTIOE A NY CLAIMS against the German bark "FERDINAND BRUMM." be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon of WEDNESDAY, the 26th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

MELCHERS & Co.. Hougkong, December 24, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Meither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

ALPHINGTON, British barque, Captain G. Cunningham, - Wieler & Co. CILURNUM, British ship, Captain E. Shrewsbury. -- Wieler & Co. Colorado, American ship, Captain Ingraham .- Russell & Co.

KATE CARRIE, British barque, Captain James Wilson,-Melchers & Co. BROOMHALL, British ship, Captain H Bate.—Russell & Co. CRARTER OAK, American ship, Captain Staples.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FORMOSA, German 8-m. schooner, Capt. Schweer. - Melchers & Co. Annie S. Hall, American barque, Capt. Chas. H. Nelson.—Captain. BIRKER, British ship, Captain W. Rey-

JURGEN, German barque, Capt. Winds. Siemssen & Co. SIR JAMSETJEE FAMILY, British ship, Capt. C. Cobb.—Adamson, Bell & Co. GLENFRUIN, British barque, Capt. Lang.

VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks. -Melchers & Co. PARSEE, British steamer, Captain W. Sergent.—Melchers & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Dec. 22, Antipodes, British barque, 592, H. Wyeth, Chefoo Dec. 10, Beans, -Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Dec. 23, Salisbury, British ship, 1075, Case, Sydney, Nov. 1, Coal, -ORDER,

Dec. 23, Marion, Amer. 8-m. schooner, 266, R. Howes, Amoy Dec. 19, Ballast. AENHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Dec. 28, Flintshire, British steamer, 1243, T. Thomas, Singapore Nov. 29, General --- H. Kima & Co. Dec. 28, Falcon, British barque, 798, D

Barry, London Aug. 8, General. - ARNHOLD. Dec. 28, Conquest, British steamer, 317, Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, by the Hamlin, Haiphong Dec. 19, Rice.-Kwong LEE YUEN.

Dec. 28, Orestes, British steamer, 1,823, Dec. 24, Tibre, French steamer, 1009. at his address aforesaid, or to the Under- de Girard, Yokohama Dec. 18, Mails and

And notice is hereby given that at the W. Sergent, Kobe Dec. 17, Rice. --MELCHERS & Co. Dec. 24, Nelson, British steamer, 894,

Staples, Amoy Dec. 22, Ballast, ... JARDINE, entitled thereto, having regard to the Dec. 24, Radnorshire, British steamer, General.-H. KLER & Co.

Dec. 24, G. H. Wuppuus, German ship, 538, V. R. Diedrichsen, Shanghai Dec. 19, Rice and Octton, -CARLOWITZ & Co. Dec. 24, Cheang Hock Kian, British steamer, 956, Fred. Webb, Penang Dec. 12, and Singapore 16, General,-MAN HING

Dec 24, City of Halifax, British ship, 860, John Evans, Cardiff June 19, Coal,— MEYER & Co.

DEPARTURES. Dec. 23. Namoa, for Coast Ports.

23. Peiko. for Quinhon. 23, Fung-shum, for Shanghal. 23, Tohing Tsing, Chi. g. b., for Canton. 23. Kronprindsessen, for Whampos. 24. Cuba, for Keelung.

24, Kvik, for Macao. 24, Isles of the South, for New York. CLEARED.

Elize, for Halphong.

PASSENGERS.

Per Tibre, from Yokohama: for Hengkong. Messrs Jourdan and Meyerinck, and Chinese; for Batavia, Mr Durand; for Marselles, Mr and Mrs Milnes and child. The Manufactory is under direct and Messrs Suwe Hidsaburo, Kub Huomitchi, Massaki Niroku, Otsuka Takudzo, Assada, Tananka, Chimitau, Chibata Youkictchi, Oukai Kikudji, Nabeshima, Clausen, and

Per Diemitah, from Shanghai : for Hongkong, Mesers Wilford, W. K. Hughes, Lind, Philipps, Ritchie, and 6 Chinese; for Galle, Mr Ewald; for Naples, Mr and Mrs Romanoff; for Marselles, Mr and Mrs Louvier, Measrs Pinell, Sanson, and

Per Flintshire, from Singapore, Professor Thorn, Mr Mawvell, and 2 European dock. Per Orestes, from Shanghai via Amoy, European and 85 Chinese. Per Parsee, from Kobe, 7 Chinese.

Per Radnorshire, from Shanghal, Per G. H. Wuppuns, from Shanghai, 1 Per Cheang Hook Kidn, from Penang and Singapore, 354 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Fung-thun, for Shanghai, 80 Ohinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The American 3-m. schooner Marion reports: First part strong N.E. wind, latter part strong Northerly winds. The British steamer Radnorshire reports

Fresh gale from the N.W. to N.E.

The British steamer Cheang Hook King reports | Strong N E. monsoon and heavy sea with cloudy weather during the passage. The British ship City of Halifax reports : Light winds and very fine weather all the passage until Friday last (22nd inst.) a very heavy gale from the N.N.E. and trettlendons sea, lost a whole suit of sails and washed in main hatch. Wind yester. day freelt gale from the N.E. and very high

CARGOES. Per S. S. Sargedon, Hongkong to Lon-don, sailed 19th December, 1877 1-125,209 lbs. 460 pkgs. Matting, 25 pkgs. Waste Silk, 17 pkgs. Silk Piece Goods, and 370

paga. Sundries. Per S. S. City of Tokio, sailed December 22nd, 1877 :- For Yokohama, 176 bags Sugar, 100 bags Flour, 50 bags Saltpotro, 948 bales Cotton Yaru, 800 bundles Nailrod Iron, 83 bundles Copper Sheets, 100 bales Tea Mats, 40 pkgs. Cordage, 80 cases Castor Oll, 90 bundles Rattan, 57 pkgs. Zinc, 79 pkgs. Tin, 12 pkgs. Gunny Bags, 20 flasks Quicksilver, 35 pkgs. Yellow Metal, and 526 pkgs. Sundries. For Nagasaki, 8 casks Rum. For San Francisco. 24,528 bags Rice, 205 bags Sugar, 112 Empty Quicksliver Flasks, 81 pkgs. Medioine, 80 boxes Oil, 4 Merchandise, 86 boxes Opium, 4 bales R. Silk, 175 pkgs, Tea (9, 190 lbs.), 922 pkgs. Sundries. For New York, 30 bales Raw Silk, 13 cases Silk Piece Goods 8 half-chests Tea (444 lbs.), 7 pkgs. Merchandise. For Boston, 4 cases Hats. Ohicago, 247 pkgs. Tea (18,758 lbs.) For Panama, 400 bags Rice, 20 pkgs. Tes, pkgs. Silks, 8 pkgs. Crude Opium, and 219 page. Sundries. For Victoria, 6 page. Oplum, 50 bags Sugar, and 2 pkgs. Merchandise.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS MAILS will close:-

For SWATOW.

Per NORNA, at 7.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst., instead of as previously notified. For AMOY.

Per ESMERALDA, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 26th inst. For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS & LON DON. --Per ORESTES, at 3.30 p.m., on Wed

nesday, the 26th inst. For COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY,-Per OCEAN, at 11.80 a.m., on Thursday, the 27th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. Per ATALANTA, on Thursday, the 27th Inst., at 1.30 P M. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .--

The French Contract Packet DJEMNAH Marseilles; to Salgon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seyspondence to E. Africa, the Cape,

St. Helena, and Ascension. MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET .--The English Contract Packet TEHERAN will be despatched with the Mails for knowledge." Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 3rd January.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PAGEST. The United States Mail Packet GAE. LIC will be despatched on FRI-DAY, the 4th January, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows.---

2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORBOW. Miscellaneous. Bank Holiday.

MEMOS. FOR WEDNESDAY.

Miscellaneous. Bank Holiday. Claims against the Ferdinand Brumm mus

basent in to the Agents before Noon. Shipping. Noon.-Esmeralda leaves for Amoy.

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MARRIAGE. At his residence Yokohama, Japan, on the 11th December, by the Rev. Dr Brown, In the presence of the Acting Consul-General of the U.S. A. ALFEED A. FISHER of Shanghai, to SARAH A. TAYLOR, of San Francisco.

DEATHS. son of the late Captain Robert Willow,

At the residence of his son, in Kobe, on the 5th of December, Revd. PRIER J. Gullon, a native of New Jersey, United States of America, for forty-seven years a missionary at the Bandwich Islands, and three years resident in Japan -aged 80 years and 9 months.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DEG. 24, 1877.

This evening the season of prayer and

praise, festivity and enjoyment, will be inaugurated in this Colony. We are a few hours earlier in this part of the world than the old folks at Home, and while we shall be struggling with rosst land will be silently and solemnly gathered together at the morning services in the various places of worship. There is no more universal festival than \$9,500 ish to Or Petros-Total 266,350 loss honoured. The season is very approx put in an appearance, although the latter Singapore mails and 10 Chinese pemeragers

enjoyment, is at least something out of the ordinary run of things here, and furnishes us with an excuse for a little additional relaxation from business. There is wonderfully little to see, and a fearful sameness about everything we do. on this little island, and anything in the nature of a change cannot fail to be acceptable. The magnificent weather we have here at this time of the year no doubt greatly tends to reconcile us to Christmas in China. That this year. within the last few days will render fine weather during Christmas week all the more enjoyable. There is nothing like point of view! Now that the pouring rains of the last few weeks have been replaced with bright, bracing weather, the latter will seem doubly acceptable. Although family gatherings are impracticable with the majority of us in Hongkong, yet, for all that, we think the community here enter with as much spirit into the festivity of the season, and enjoy themmistletoe and the berry-holly, experience teaches us that they are not indispensable to a Merry Christmas. We are also, all of us, well able to provide ourselves with good cheer on such occasions, and if others around us. Here at least we have an advantage over vast numbers of people at Home. Christmas is a season well worth "keeping" even from a secular point of view. It promotes good will be despatched from Hongkong feeling, fosters charity, increases brothe ly with Mails to and through the banishes for a time despondency and all United Kingdom and Europe, vid its attendant evils. Indeed, if it were not for the dark spots in Europe and Armenia, and their consequent forebodchelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, ings of trouble, we might almost adopt and Alexandria. This is the best the words of Scrooge, "A Merry Christopportunity for forwarding Corre- mas to everybody! A happy New Year to all the world!" May it be always said of all of us, as it was said of Scrooge, "he knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed the

LOCAL AND GENERAL

THERE will be no issue of the China Mai to-morrow (Christmas Day).

THE P. & O. S. S. Mirzapore, with the outward mails, was to leave Singapore for this port to-day (Monday).

Livingston & Co.) that the E. & A. R. M. S. Brisbane left Singapore for this port yesterday (23rd). WE are requested to state that Mr Justice

the cases at present standing over. WE learn that a telegram has been received by Mesurs Carlowitz & Co., to the effect that the French barque St. Joseph, Captain Dumont, has been lost near Batavia. The vessel was on her voyage from Labuan to

Hongkong. was accelerated by the grave news received Turkish proposals of peace and the apparent anti-Turkish attitude of Germany.

kindly takes the matter in hand.

and long. 119.25 E., all well.

priately heralded here by a Regatta, has been in port nearly 48 hours. The which, if it does afford us rather cold str. Albay was to leave Halphong 5 hours after the Conquest. The weather has been very bad outside, so we may presume the steamers in question have anchored under the land for shelter, and will arrive in due course; at least we shall hope so.

WE have to record snother attack on foreign Missionaries by the Chiness. News arrived by the steamer Hailoong that a Presbyterian missionary, the Rev. Mr G. L. Mackay, contrary to the usual order of things, we stationed near Tamsui, Formosa, where he had such terribly miserable weather up to has a Chapel, had been threatened by a mob of natives on the 15th inst. It appeared that a large number of Chinese, said to number looking at matters from a philosophical some 2000, urged no doubt by the overbearing literati, made an attack on the Chapel, which they pulled down. Mr MacKay face the mob with perhaps more courage than discretion, and refused to leave the city although the rioters threatened his life if he did not do so. . The Chinese did not, however, carry out their threat, selves as thoroughly as ever do their soldiers, as, when H. B.M. Consul applied have our holidays, our dinner and other to the Tamsul Magistrate for assistance. parties, and our Christmas cheer the the reply received was that the Magistrate same as in England, and if we lack the bad only 100 soldiers for the protection of Christmas carols from the street, the his yamen, and that as the force was inadequate he advised Mr MacKay to retire for the present from Banks. When the Hailoong left Tamsui Mr MacKay was still at Banks, but the matter was not settled necessary, to provide for the welfare of then. No reasonable cause has been assigned for this outbreak of antipathy against the missionary, but it is said that it arose from some quarrel between the Chinese converts and the people; it is, however, singular that from the on THURSDAY, the 27th Instant, love and regard, affords relaxation and accounts received, the attack seemed to be chiefly directed against Mr MacKay, and no Chinese converts have been reported to have been hurt. We may therefore fairly conclude that the difficulty lies really between the missionary himself and the Chinese, especially as a rumour of something of that nature has been in circulation for some time, which pointed to a difference of a social nature likely to arise between

WE are glad to be able to note the safe arrival of the S.S. Flintshirs, Capt. T. Thomas, as some little anxiety was naturally felt at her non-arrival. The following is her report :- She left Singapore on the 29th November and had fine weather with light winds through the Palawan Passage, On the night of the 6th instant at about } past 7 o'clock, the night being dark and hazy. she ran on the Scarborough Shoal. The WE learn from the Agents (Messrs Glbb, engines were at once reversed, and every effort-made to get her out of her critical position. The pumps were sounded, and it was found that the vessel was making no water, and as she was on the leeward side Snowden will next sit in Summary Juris. of the shoal and there was very little wind diction on Friday next at 10 a.m., to hear at the time, the vessel was in very little immediate danger. Anchors were run out astern with a view of trying to heave her off, but this was found impracticable, notwithstanding that the whole of her cargo (about 90 tons rattans and sundries) was jettisoned. On the third day Capt. Thomas. after consulting with his officers, decided to send to Manila for assistance, and the Chief Officer (Mr Stainton) left the steamer H.M.S. Audacious came round from Aber. on the morning of the 9th, in one of the deen Dock yesterday afternoon. We under- ship's boats, taking with him, besides 9 of stand that the undocking of the flagship | the crew, 3 European, and 10 Chinese passengers. The boat was well provisioned by telegraph concerning the failure of the and left the ship on its perilous undertaking early in the morning. Manila bore nearly due east of the shoal, and the boat, encountering strong to moderate northerly, WE are glad to note that Mesars Douglas north-easterly, and easterly winds, her Lapraik & Co. have liberally given the sum living freight had rather a bad time of it. of \$10,000 to the relatives of the sufferers It was at times a great labour to keep the of the Yess explosion, and in addition to little craft free of water, and the Chinese this sum, the Chinese community are rais- passengers refused to lend the crew any ing a subscription among themselves, assistance. The Chief Officer found it Messre Leong On and Wai Kwong have necessary to threw over a quantity of baggage to prevent her being swamped. On the morning of the 11th they were followed THE British ship City of Halifax reports by a shark, which no doubt had made up its having experienced a very heavy N.W.E. mind to make a meal of one or more of gale, on Friday last, the 22nd instant, with them. Mr Stainton settled this business a tremendous ses, when she lost a whole by hitting the shark across the ribs, and the At No. 78, Yokohama, on the 9th Dec., in suit of sails, stove in main hatch, and poor shark then left them, doubtless rather the 40th year of his age, TEMPLE WILLOUX, sustained other damage of a more or less astonished at his unusual reception. The boat resched Manila in safety on the 16th December, after a week's buffeting with VESSELS spoken : The British ship City of the elements, and her crew were very kindly Balifan reports having spoken the follow- treated by the Spanish Officials. Mesers ing vessels | Nov. 14, French barque Leonie, Findlay, Richardson & Co., the Company's from Breet to Ilollo, 127 days out, in lat. Agents, on hearing of the socident, made 0.88 S. and long. 119.89 E. Nov. 16, arrangements for sending assistance to the German barque Niagara, from Hamburg unfortunate steamer ; and the S. S. Mactan for Hongkong, 125 days out, in lat. 0.8 N. left Manila on the 17th, and arrived alongside the Flintshire (which they found in the same position), at 8 o'clock on the morning WE are informed that the list for the Re. of the 18th. Efforts were at once made to gatta Ball will close on Saturday, the 29th tow her off, but it was not until the morninstant. Should it be found that there ing of the following day that they succeeded. are not enough Subscribers by that date, After sounding the pumps and escertaining the Ball will not take place. Liste may be the extent of the damage, Captain Thomas beef and plum pudding at the Christmas seem at either of the undermentioned concluded he could dispense with further dinner, our relatives and friends in Eng. places:-The Hongkong Olub, The German assistance from the Macton, which accord-Club, or the premises of Mesers Lane, ingly returned to Manila. The Fliesthire Crawford & Co., and Mesers Falconer & Co. during the remainder of the passage had a succession of heavy Northerly galos and Christmas. From one end of the earth THE S. S. Cores de Prise left Haiphong 17 high see. If is not thought the has seen ibs. Congou, 97,671 lbs. Bc. Caper, and to the other Christmas Day is more or hours before the Conguest, but has not yet baland any considerable demands. The

on here by the first steamer.

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On the 23rd October last the steamer Glamis Castle arrived in New York from Yokohama. Committee to the second

Wr (Japan Gazette) are given to understand that Mr Machado, who has been British Postmaster in Yokohama for the last eight incurred by the Government in the supyears, has been promoted, and will shortly leave the shores of Japan for China, the field of his future labours. The day of his proposed new Imperial palace has been 500,028; the births were 1,415 and the departure, however, is not yet settled; but, whenever it does arrive, we are sure Mr Machado will take with him the respect and good wishes of the foreign residents of Captain Frahm's letter published in another during October were due to the cholers. Yokohama.

Rev. Samuel Isaac Joseph Scherechewsky, Christine) which they passed on the 10th office on the 4th and reports that the other D.D., was recently consecrated as Missionary | ultimo. Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church | The Vsadnick left Hakodate for this port, are allowed a walk once in three days, but of Shanghai, with jurisdiction over the on the afternoon of Tuesday, the 11th in- a bath not often. The windows have no entire Chinese Empire. The ceremony, at stant, two hours before the departure of the paper screens and the cold wind attacks which seventeen bishops assisted, took place Shalio which arrived on afternoon of 12th them. They are weaker than other prisoners in Grace Church, New York, the venerable at Shinagawa. A passenger by the latter and feel the cold more.

Bishop of Kentucky officiating as consecrativessel informs us that the Vsadnick accomt A letter from Kagoshima, dated the 28rd parentage and was educated in the School from Vladivostock at about the same time as | Kagoshima is becoming quiet and the people of the Prophets in Poland. He was the her consort from Yokohama, visited the site are returning from Sakurajima and other representative of the American Bible of the wrecked gunboat Aleut on the West places, but the women are afraid, on ac-Society in their joint work with the British | coast of Yesso near Isashi. The vessel is | count of 2,000 soldiers being in the town. Society of translating the Bible from likely to become a complete wreck. An and hesitate about returning. The soldiers Hebrew into the Chinese Mandarin dialect. | officer and boat's crew were left to watch the are going about in the town and country, -Japan Mail.

Ohina. SHANGHAI.

(News.) States Naval squadron, arrived on the 19th. successor of Rear-Admiral William Reynolds joined her; and now, four out of the five men-of-war in port are under the American flag, the other being H.B.M.'s corvette Juno.

We understand that the total applications in London, and nearly a similar amount in alarmed. Shanghai. It was expected that it would be taken up readily, but we fancy the actual success has been greater even than the promoters anticipated.

The Governor of Honan estimates the number of persons requiring relief in that province at 2,000,000; and says 300,000. piculs of rice monthly are required to feed them. All the money allotted to the province, together with the grain appropriation, has only enabled the accumulation of some

140,000 a 150,000 piculs. We learn that the refugees spoken of as on their way to Shanghai have begun to arrive, and that between two and three hundred are sheltered in an old temple at the South Gate. The authorities have with commendable promptness given them assistance, 40 cash to each adult and 20 to each Their clothes are old and ragged. and there is no sign of beds or bedding. But if the Chinese authorities give them as comfortable matsheds as last year and regular rations, daily, their most pressing necessities will be cared for. It is to be | terday, the 16th, being the day appointed presumed that the present Taotai will follow | for the rifle match arranged by Imperial

the example of his predecessor. The fifteen steamers that were at Taku ten days ago have all returned to Shanghai, and the Northern trade may now be considered closed for the winter. We have often mentioned, during the last three weeks, that ice was accumulating in the Peiho River. and we understand that it is now about a week since it was closed to navigation above Taku. The steamers Hweiguen, Golden Horn and Maharajah were the last whose cargo building, covering an area of about nine had to be lightered by the Lecynen, Yung- | tsubo to shelter the contestants, had been ching and Yehsin over the Bar and taken to erected and was gaily decorated with the Taku: these six steamers have all arrived national flags and those of Treaty Powers. here during the last two days, and the The prizes were conspicuously displayed in Maharajah and Golden Horn are now taking the centre of the building. At noon another in cargo for the South. The majority of the | gun was fired; and the match was suspended steamers which run on the Northern line. are now either anchored in the river or on the berth for Southern ports.

Some 5,500 bales of silk are said to have been settled since the last mail, and it is expected that the Djennah will probably take over 7,000 bales, including 2,500 kept over from the previous week. The improvement in the aspect of French politics. in consequence of Dufaure's succeeding in forming a Ministry is, we presume, the chief | Bousquet, formerly attached to the Genro-In. cause of this large business. But it is a noteworthy fact that the Chinese do not seem to have been influenced by the news. and this large business has been done without causing any material rise in the market. In fact, it was not till some 4,000 bales had been settled, that a higher rate was established, and the rise has not exceeded Tls. 5 @ 10 a pecul. This is a curious, and. we might almost say, unprecedented feature: the Chinese being generally keenly alive to silk, and as the price of that article lately profit by any improvement in the foreign demand. In the present instance, however. it is said, they can replace their stocks at about Tls. 20 a pecul less, in the interior; and until yesterday afternoon (19th) they were willing sellers. We hope it may prove that they, and not foreigners, are mistaken. It is rather ourious that nearly as much silk has been bought during the last four days, es during the first four months, of the present season.

ACECHTANY.

(Ganette.)

M nister of Marine, Admiral Kawan hra Admirals Nakamuta, and Akamatsu Captains Hayashi and Matsumura; a number of other afficers of distinction in H. I. M.'s Navy | and seve al Japanese ladies wives of the above gentlemen, entertained the officers of the tinglish Naval Mission. Imperial Naval College, Tokio, and their wives, as well as the officers attached to the Elementary Naval School and training ship Youkuba kulpan at a banquet at Shiba Kiku. Covers were laid for fifty. The welcome, and hope they will be induced to dinger was prepaded by a very clever display of magio, the magician showing great proficioney both in European and dapahese illusive art, The dinling and reception &on therefrom. This in itself, would be a topms were most testefully decorated, with great step towards Protection, and the juice flowers and evergreens, and the dinner able of the grape would provide a more healthy was a marvel of beauty, the centre-piece | stimulant than that obtained from the ferbeing a screw steamship of war of consider. mentation of rice. With a good chesp wine able dimensions, wonderfully accurate in produced in the country -- sake and its maddetail, and composed simust entirely of dening effects would be unknown, and the ponfectionery. The replat was of the most | rice saved for a better purpose. recherché kind, and during its progress the | A new conjecture comes to us from the Davel band played a nelection of airs. Pomiour Shimbun, that as depen has been day, but on the occasion of the Ministers'. Daveling commenced himself immediately desclated by a perious oridomic, mithat of landing, the only ministers which took

place on 12th Dec. at the Mita Paper Mill. Tokio, resulting in the death of two men; and, it is feared, another man is so badly scalded that he will not recover. The forms part of the structure, and threaten

In consequence of the great expense he is so justly entitled..... pression of the Satsuma insurrection, the commencement of the construction of the postponed until next year.

column, that the people of the steamer could

The newly elected Bishop is of Polish | panied by the Abrek, which latter arrived | of November, gives the following report vessel and cargo of stores, the latter estimat- and in consequence some shizoku have ed at a value of \$150,000. The remainder started a rumor that Saigo was not killed, of the officers and crew were brought into | that he is in the mountains or at sea, and Hakodate by the Abrek, for transfer as soon | that when his refuge has been discovered

The Tennessee, the flag-ship of the United | weather off Inuboye Saki, on her passage | Japanese swords. .. Hearing this rumor, down from Hakodate. She was hove to for some merchants are not rebuilding their from Japan. This is her first visit since the | twelve hours on the 13th instant. At about | houses. It is said that three battalions in wheel-house, injuring slightly with broken will be exchanged for staves. It is also glass the men at the wheel, and all but said that this change has been made in for the Loan have amounted to £3,700,000 | washing one of the officers overboard. Some | Miyasaki. of which about £1,000,000 was applied for of the Japanese passengers were seriously

agent for the German ship Madagascar, has from the battery here in reply to the recovered \$2800 damages from a Japanese Chinese frigate, Hai-hon, two reports were trader for failure to carry out a charter-party observed to occur almost simultaneously hence to Hakodati and Shanghai.

Yamazawa, who was sent to Paris by the firing party, which on enquiry was found War Department to study the art of war in to be the case, as it appears that owing to Europe, accompanies the Russians in their ignition of the charge while being rammed campaign against the Turks. He has en- home, resulting from imperfect stoppage dured many dangers and privations, often of the vent, one of the gunners was blown risking his life. and has made memoranda to pieces, and another so seriously injured of his views and experiences. The Russian as to need immediate removal to the hos-Ministry have bestowed a decoration on this pital. As this is the second instance of

brave Lieut.-Colonel. Mission, appeared before the Daijo-Kuwan serving these guns that their usual general on the 15th instant, for the purpose of re- laxity of discipline, and in their manner of ceiving the decoration of the fourth class of doing things, is not advisable when they the order of merit.

About one hundred and eighty Japanese of Osaka had received, up to the 11th instant, licenses to open places of business in Corea. The Nichi Nichi Shinbun says that, yes-Army, navy and police officers, the members of the Kiodo-shatakikai (Rifle Club) assembled in the grounds of the Military College of Toyama, where the competition took place. Some foreigners in the service of the Japanese Government, and many others who are fond of shooting, arrived at seven o'clock. eight a cannon was fired as a signal that the shooting was to commence, and a Band played while the firing was going on. A temporary for an hour, commencing again at 1 p.m., and finally terminating at 4 p.m. Colonel Murata, the celebrated marksman, won the first prize; Adjutant Tase (Murata's brother) the second; Lieut.-General Soga the third.

The Choya Shimbun says that the decoration of the 4th Class of the Order of the Rising Sun has been conferred on M.

The Tokio Fu has memorialized the Central Government concerning the advisability of prohibiting the selling of newspapers in the streets by the sellers crying out the contents of the papers, as they at times ory out in a loud voice certain events before the very

houses where they occurred. The branch of the Second National Bank which has been established at Mayebashi in Joshin, has done very well this season in advanced very considerably, the Bank has made a profit of some 50,000 yen.

NAGASARI. (Cosmopolitan Press.) We understand that a Japanese man-ofwar will be despatched to the Black Sea for the purpose of observing the operations

during the war. We regret to find the report confirmed that Capt. Ward of the Mitsu Bishi steamer Akitsushima Maru was drowned at sea. He had many friends in Nagasaki who will mourn his loss.

A gentle upheaval of the earth's surface took place during the storm of wind and rain On the 15th instant, His Excellency, the which prevailed on the afternoon of Thursday last. The phenomenon was accompanied by two loud peals of thunder, no lightning was observed; however the gentleness of this shock did not prevent doors and windows being put cut of working order, and much inconvenience especially in the earlier erections of Nagasaki. This looks promising. as our Port would be none the worse for a

> Now that the U. S. Flag Ship Tennesses is in port, we tender her officers a hearty give us a musical treat ere leaving.

We wonder why the vine is not cultivated in Japan with a view to producing wines

new scourge will have more victims, for these institutions are constructed and built up on a paper foundation wherein but little metal

under Japaness supervision, the foreign ... It is pleasant to notice the compliments engineer formerly employed having been that have been paid to M. Kraetzer on hisdismissed two or three months ago. We departure for Europe... Acting as Consul for hear that this accident has been anticipated. France Mr Kraetzer seems to have earned by foreign engineers acquainted with the the respect and esteem of all nationalities, state of the boilers, and the managers of the and the love of his compatriots. We wish mill have been warned of the danger. him the enjoyment of a higher post to which

CSARA In October the population of Osaka was deaths 2,505. It is said that the average It is apparent from the extract from the number of deaths per month in Osaka is log of the Shinagawa Maru, contained in about 1,000, and that the extra deaths Mr Yamamoto, editor of the Nippo, who not by any possibility have aided the has been imprisoned for a month, was re-FROM an American paper we learn that the dismasted schooner (supposed to be the leased on the 2nd. He again attended the news writers in prison are healthy. They

as circumstances will admit to Vladivostock. the war will be re-opened-which is why The Shalio Moru encountered very bad the military and police are armed with 10 a.m. she shipped a very heavy sea, which Kagoshima will be sent back, that a batstarted the deck forward, carrying away the talion will be sent from the Kumamoto binnacle, and smashing sky-lights, and barracks and that the rifles of the policemen.

(Nagasoki Express.) On Friday last, during the occasion of In the Court at Kanagawa Mr H. Grauert, the return salute which was being fired And it was generally supposed at the time The Hochi Shinoun says :- Lieut.-Colonel | that some accident had happened to the the kind within a short period, it will Captain Jourdan, of the French Military | probably occur to the men employed in are dealing with explosive substances.

ARRIVAL OF THE CHINESE MINIS TER AT YOKOHAMA. (Gazette, Dec. 17.)

The Chinese Minister, Ho, whose advent in Yokohama has been so long expected. and in some instances anticipated, has at length, arrived, accompanied by a Vice-Minister, Chang, and other officials. The man-of-war Hot Hon, which brought His Excellency and suite, arrived in the harbour vesterday morning between nine and ton o'clock. The German frigate Elisabeth just leaving on her way to Henolulu, as the Hoi Hon came into port, saluted the the Chinese Ambassader. After having anchored, the Hot Hon holated the Japanese flag and fired a salute, which compliment was lazily acknowledged by the Kanagawa fort at noon.

The Hoi Hon fell in with some shipwrecked Japanese on her way from Kobe. On the 12th and 13th the weather was exceedingly boisterons, and a large junk, called the Soyei Maru, laden with 410 bags of rice, foundered. The crew, seven men in all, lashed themselves to a rai formed of spars, and were tossed about at the mercy of the waves for two days; when the Hoi Hon hove in sight, and, descrying these waifs of the ocean, took them on board. All the unfortunate men were thoroughtly exhausted; and, not withstanding the kind treatment they received on the Chinese man-of-war, one of their number succumbed to the hardships he had endured and died shortly after being taken on board. On the Hoi Hon arriving in port yesterday morning, the shipwrecked men were sent to the Kencho.

From what we can learn of the intentions of His Excelle cy Ho, he purposes staying three days in Yokohame, but declines residings on shore owing to the inconventence he would be likely to experience in numerous calls on the part of his elated countrymen. To-day Bla Excellency and suite had tiffin at the Kencho : and tomorrow they will be entertained by members of the Chinese Guild at the Chinese At the end of three days the embassy will proceed to Tokio, where it is arranged that the two Ministers will permanently remain. A Cousul, however, Consuls are among the suite of His Excellency, one of whom will be sent to either Kobe or Osaka, most probably the latter place, as a larger number of Chinamen reside there than in Kobe 1-and the remaining Consul will take u his residence

in Nagasaki. The landing of the Celestials was effected at three o'clock. There was no particular demonstration on the occasion, beyond the fact of an enormous crowd having assembled. Two carriages only were waiting to receive the party, and into one of those the two ministers got as soon as they landed; and were driven immediately to the Kencho. Two more of the important personages. seated themselves in the second carriage, and were conspictions for some time owing to the ponies having an objection proceed. The occupants of the vehicle kept their seats like stoics, without moving a mucle, until the libbing horses were coszed to proceed. The rest of the embassy proceeded in inrikishas, wending their way through the growd as best they could. After remaining at the Kencho about a quarter of an hour, the Ministerial parts proceeded to the Town Hall, where a titlin had been provided for them. A good deal of powder has been expended dilring the

Port at Manila, and were to be forwarded by the hosts to minister to the pleasure of which increase every day. It is going to be inflicted with any notice of the event, excepting the Hoi of wood left burning in the chimney-corner another,—the establishment of Banks, the number of which increase every day. It is number of which increase every day. It is It is reported that a boiler explosion took to be feared, says the same journal, that this boats from the Chinese man-of-war to the landing-place.

Australian Items.

TOTAL WRECK OF THE A.S.N. Co. s s. s. " Florance Trying." Sydney, Dec. 4.—The s. s. Florence Irving wrecked between Sydney and Brisbane. All hands saved excepting one child.

The steamer Florence Irving bound from Sydney to Cooktown via ports, with a ful cargo and forty-two passengers, struck on a rock off Port Stephens, at daylight this morning. She sank almost immediately, and the passengers and crew were saved after great exertion, one child being lost, superior class, but hereabouts they are The passengers lost all their luggage.

The Florence Irving struck the rock off in high relief. Port Stephens during a dense fog. The ... At Gorny Studen every one from the vessel is aground fore and aft; she is Emperor downwards keeps under cover, completely waterlogged, and will be a total such as it is. Nobody ventures out in the loss. The Elemang left Sydney this even- thick, deep mud; to do so is to run the ing for the scene of the wreck.

masons were present at the installation of Majesty occupies the only house which Brother Williams, as Grand Master of the exists there, and which was probably the English Constitution:

killed the mate, and wounded two of the of his Staff are installed in Kirghiz Kibitcrew of the schooner Marion Romney.

of murdering a Chinese fireman. caused in political circles by Palmer, the swarm with large mice trying to find shelter member for Ballarat, causing Supreme or creep into the holes which Nature and Court writs to be served upon a member of | the Bulgarian peasant have provided. The the Legislative Council for illegally taking | itinerant restaurateur who has bound himself his seat without first of all making certain | in writing, much to his regret, to follow the necessary declarations.

will not sanction the payment of members | weathers, is in a sad plight. His tented of the Assembly on any terms.

called Port Douglas.

fact that similar goods cannot be imported hut, is a melancholy one indeed. at less than from -/8 to-/9 per lb. It is almost | When I arrived here to-day, after | May

to pass muster. On the 14th of the present worse things. As I descended from the 12, Chandos, month, ex Normanby, there also arrived heights into Sistova, looking down on to 13, Alstra, from the same destination 30 bags of the five bridges across the Danube and the from the same destination 30 bags of the five bridges across the Danube and the June flour, consigned to Tye Ton Yick, each long lines of transports slowly creeping 18, Henry Lippett, New York containing 50 lbs., in all 1,500 lbs. On over them and along the river side. the bage was legibly branded a superfine could hear the shrieks and yells of the July family flour, Egbert & Co.," which would Russian, Roumanian, and other drivers 2, Northampton, have passed free only for the lynx eye of urging on their struggling horses and bul- 10, Niagara, Mr Knight, the second officer of Customs, locks through the deep mud and water. who elected to open one of the bags, when it was found to contain ground rice, and on | was a strange one; bullock waggons and opening the others a similar result was others, drawn by long strings of small discovered, the effect of which was that horses, were sluking further and further the revenue £6 5/-, on the goods will be into the thick mud as the poor beasts forthcoming instead of nil. Perhaps the strained every nerve, and the dirty, mud- Aug. present Government will look upon these "tries on" on behalf of our Celestial brethren as another conclusive reason why they should be prevented from coming axeles broken, and the debris of carts and here, although with all their ingenuity it | waggons come to grief were strewn all is evident that we possess some white men

THE STATE OF THE RUSSIAN CAMP. A correspondent of the Times, writing from Sistova, under date October 12, gives the following account of the sufferings from bad weather among the Russians :--

among us quite equal to the emergency.-

Cooktoren Herald.

"The worst enemy the Russians, and, presume, also the Turks, have had to contend against during the last two of three weeks has been the fearfully cold and wet weather, Rain has been pouring down more or less every day, until the country has become one huge pond of mud, the roads have almost disappeared, small streams have swollen to the size of large rivers and the difficulties of travelling bave very nearly overcome the bounds of human possibility. Only just now as I write is a little streak of blue appearing on the horizon, betokening, as I hope, fairer weather after a fortnight or more of unbroken leaden-coloured sky.

"The effect upon the poor fellows under canvas, drenched through and through, is most dispiriting, and must work considerably upon the natural melancholy of their disposition, already despend by the serious check which their arms have latterly will reside in Yokohama. Two other received. Officers and others who have to make their berths in the mul-built underground buts of the pessants find the dirty walls and floors soaked through by the rain, and damp and moisture pervading every corner. There is not a dry spot whereon to lay one self, unless it be in a well-covered waggon, which, indeed, is the only safe place where one can sleep without being afraid of getting wet and catching the fever, In such a vehicle I slept for several pichts. wrapped up in straw and blankets | but soon discovered that even the painted dover of my waggons was no longer water-proof the continual downpour had washed off the paint somewhere and found a hole to drip through into my bed. I had then to take up my abode in one of the bare huts which have mentioned, and there I found, as seems to be the case at present in nearly every domidle in these wretched villages one member of the family ill. This was in Gorny Studen, whence I have just come A fortnight ago, when at Poradim, before Pleyna, the same thing struck me. Nearl all the inhabitants appeared to be afflicted with fever and dysentery, and I do not wonder at it, considering the miserable existence they lead. They have no beds except in the few principal towns, but all the family lie down together in their clothes on the floor with their heads against the soddened walls, with perhaps a few sticks

were left in charge of the Captain of the lafter dinner; and nothing was left undone cholera, it is going to be inflicted with any notice of the event, excepting the Hot of wood left burning in the chimney-corner There is no doctor, not even a medicineman or a quack, in the neighbourhood. One told me the other day, when I advised him to send for the doctor, that there was no such individual nearer than Gabrova, two days' journey or more distant. The inhabitants slouch about, moaning and complaining and muttering incantations left Sydney this morning, and was totally over one another, until they either die or get better. Crouching down around their wood fires in the low, dark, sepulchral dwellings, destitute of every vestige of comfort, trying to escape from the inclement weather, and yet ignorantly courting all its evil effects, they form the most deplorable picture of poor humanity I have ever seen. In and about the Balkans the natives are in everything a much very low in the scale, and weather such as we are now having brings out their misery

> risk of sliding down up to the knees in mire into the valley on either side of which Sydney, Nov. 20. Six hundred Free the village hovels are built. His Imperial dwelling of some Turkish official before the The natives of the Solomon Islands have war. The Grand Duke Nicholas and a few kas-in round dome-shaped tents made Symonds, late engineer of the R.M.S. with thick felt laid over wooden frames, Somerset, has been acquitted on the charge | which look quite warm and comfortable. The rest of the little camp nestle under Melbourne. Dec. 3.—A sensation is being their few yards of saturated canvas which Head-Quarters wherever it goes, and to The Council has determined that they provide food in all circumstances and in all kitchen is almost washed away, every crust Brisbane. Nov. 26.-Island Point has of bread in the place is moist and mouldy been gezetted as a port of entry, to be there is not a dry lucifer-match to light one pipe, and, to bring things to a climax, the last loaf was being eaten when I left yes-CUSTOMS SEIZURES -We very much terday, as the difficulties of transport had doubt whether any seaport town in Queens- | for a time put a stop to the regular supply. land possesses so vigilant and efficient a set | A gloom is cast over everything and the of Custom House officers as Cooktown can officers are mostly in low spirits. No boast of, and it is with much pleasure that sunlight appears through the thick heavy we testify to their ability and excellence, clouds, and at 7 o'clock in the evening it is From Mr Sub-Collector Fahey down to the so dark that it is impassible to walk a dozen most juvenile officer in the Department, yards without a lantern to light the way every man attached to the service works and a big stick to keep off the wolfish zealously to carry out his respective avoca- howling dogs, which attack unarmed tions, and we have all the more pleasure in | persons at night with the greatest forocity. noticing this, well-knowing the "down," The most disagreeable sight of all is the to use a Colonial phraseology, that usually hard-worked horses, of which there are a exists by the public generally on civil great many at Gorny Studen, standing out servants, and frequently without cause. day and night in the cold rain without cover That the "heathen Chines" is a clever or cloth of any kind. There is not a stable fellow we all know, and the following in the village. Even the Emperor's horses illustrations of his eleverness are worthy of are without shelter. There the poor beasts notice. On the 80th October last ex Bris. stand through the 24 hours, dripping with bane from Hongkong, there arrived five wet, with their tails ourled up under them, cases of peas, consigned to Sun Yee Lee, slowly chewing the wet hay, or even straw. which were entered at the Customs as each as there is very little of the former to be containing 100 1 lb. tine, valued at less bought. The picture, as I have seen it for than -/31 per lb. although it is a well-known | the last few days from the door of my mud

needless to say that they were not allowed | riding through rain and slush, I saw even | 10. David. When I reached the river-bank the scene splashed drivers exerted themselves and 10. Papa. their voices to move on a few yards at a 11. North Star, time. Ammunition caissons had their along the river banks. Looking down the Danube, one would have thought that there had been a number of shipwrecks. Splinters of broken vehicles were sticking up out of the mud at the water's edge, and, worst of | 28, India, all, many-I should say more than a dozen -horses lay dead and half bidden in the deep mud at intervals along the way. The poor beasts were being trampled deeper and deeper into the mud, gradually being buried, so that when all dries up again they will probably be completely covered over. I had never before seen such a scene of

dirt. disorder, and confusion. "Now that the weather is bad the Russians have begun to make roads on both sides of the river. They have allowed all the summer to pass without attempting anything of the kind, and now they have requisitioned a large number of Bulgarians and Roumanians to construct roads fit for transports to pass over the loose banks of the river to and from the bridges on either side. It will be some time before these are completed, and, in the meantime, during every spell of bad weather there will be the same trouble as I have attempted to describe."

WHILE Dr. Mary Walker was lecturing lately in one of the rural towns, it is said that a youth cried out; "Are you the Mary that had a little lamb ?" " No !" | 30, Lodore, was the sharp reply; "but your mother Nov. had a little jackass."

A number of interesting experiments have been recently carried out at Mets by a committee of engineer and other officers appointed to investigate the practicability of employing electric light during siege operations, and to suggest any modifications which it may seem expedient to introduce in the apparatus at present in use. On the night o October 20, Forts Frederic Charles and Alvensleben were illuminated by throwing the electric light upon them, when it was found that at a distance of from two to three kilo metres not only buildings but also individual men could be plainly made out. On the night of the 27th of October the electric apparatus was arranged on the exercising ground outside the Chambière gate, and the light directed upon a row of targets. Fire was then opened against these latter by a squad of riflemen, and the practice made was nearly as good as that recorded on ordinary occasion when firing by day-a result which was considered exceedingly satisface tory, as a thick mist prevailed at the time and materially interfered with the action of the light. Altogether the committee concluded that the electric light may in future be employed with advantage not only in slege operations, but also during outpost duty and

Quotations.

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cepted in transit through Marseilles for representatives on presentation of Share the principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th on the 26th December, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-

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